

## The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, Idaho's Parents and Youth Against Drug Abuse (PAYADA) and the National Family Partnership, in a united effort, are sponsoring a grass-roots community drug awareness program in Idaho and throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, Idahoans will be supporting the celebration of a National Red Ribbon Campaign in every community throughout the state to make the choice to be free of drugs and commit to a healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, citizens representing business, government, law enforcement, schools, religious institutions, service organizations, youth, the medical community, senior citizens, military forces, sports teams, and any other individuals who desire to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles will be wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that Idaho families join together supporting a healthy choice and participating in these activities that will encourage all our citizens, both young and old, to "Stay Drug Free;"

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 27 through 31, 2003, to be

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in Idaho, and encourage my fellow citizens to liberate our state from the deadly grip of substance abuse by wearing a red ribbon and participating in Red Ribbon Week and Drug-Free America Week and other drug awareness and drug education activities as we continue our commitment to healthy, drug-free lifestyles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this twenty-second day of September in the year of our Lord two-thousand and three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-eighth and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred fourteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

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